

## Working in Practice Training Resources

Continuous professional development is a key requirement of most of the accounting institutes. Training can be accessed from many places, some that is accredited and formal (courses) and other training that can be informal (reading professional magazines).

The following are some sources of training available to enable the practitioner to complete their CPD requirements: -

- Course Providers
  - CPD Resources <http://www.cpd-resource.co.uk/index.htm>
    - An excellent programme of training courses, based in the South East (outside London), but constantly expanding its training courses. Competitively priced and relevant to the smaller practitioner as well as the accountant with a larger organisation.
  - Quorum Training [www.quorumtraining.co.uk](http://www.quorumtraining.co.uk)
  - FTC
  - CCH Professional Development
  - BPP [www.bpp.com/cpd](http://www.bpp.com/cpd)
  - CIMA [www.cimaglobal.com](http://www.cimaglobal.com)
  - ACCA <http://www.accaglobal.com/cpdrealise/>
  - Other Institutes
- VAT seminars
  - Newly Registered VAT businesses – via the local office.
- Accountancy Shows and Fairs
  - Mainly software based
- Institute Branch Meetings
  - Often a good selection of speakers
  - All meetings count towards CPD
- Other Institute Branch Meetings
  - Other institutes including the Tax Institute are often open meetings and will charge a small fee to attend meetings to non members.
- Tax Office Practitioner Meetings
  - CIS Seminars
  - Self Assessment Seminars

- Learndirect
  - Government Sponsored Learning Resource
  - National
  - Courses are computer based
  - 207 Business and Management courses from Business Start-up to Working in Teams
  - 113 IT courses to teach new IT skills or brush up on old skills
  - 14 Specialist IT courses
  - Excellent for staff looking for specific skills like interviewing
  - Corporate Training available
  - Prices are competitive and affordable
  
- ACAS
  - Half and full day courses are very reasonably priced.
  - Small companies with less than 5 employees can get some courses free, but details of these change and are available at [http://www.acas.org.uk/emsobs/acas\\_events\\_new.asp](http://www.acas.org.uk/emsobs/acas_events_new.asp)
  - Courses based around employing people
  - Also offers workplace training for larger organisations